

Mr. ALLISON. Mr. President, the joint committee on behalf of the two Houses have waited upon the President and informed him that the work of the session is completed unless he may have some further communication to make. In response, the President said to us that he had no further communication to make, and he added that if it was in order—he did not know whether it was or not—he would like to say that he congratulated the two Houses of Congress upon the admirable work performed during this session.

Mr. MASON. Mr. President, I see the time has arrived when other matters are to take place here in this Chamber. I wish to apologize in a way to the Senate particularly for taking this hour, but the Senate will bear me out that during this session I have not taken time upon this or any other measure. If I have offended by fighting for what seems to me to be the old Republican principles, I hope you will find it in your heart to forgive me.

My father taught me that every man is entitled to his liberty and that the color of his skin or his religion has nothing to do with it. I had great reverence for him. I never saw tears in his eyes but once, and that was upon the death of Mr. Lincoln. That has been born within me; you can not get it out. I hope that you will greatly bear with me just this one minute when I say to you, do the fair thing by the Filipinos. Those people are entitled to their homes. They are just as much entitled to govern themselves as we are. Mr. President, I am done.

Mr. BAILEY. Mr. President, as strong as the temptation would be to have something to say in reply to the Senator from Illinois, I prefer to have a vote on the bill, and I demand a vote.

Mr. MASON. Mr. President, I left out the very best part of my speech. [Laughter.]

Mr. BAILEY. I make the point of order that the Senator from Illinois having addressed the Senate and having yielded the floor he is not entitled to resume it again.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair is obliged, under the rules, to recognize him in his own right.

Mr. BAILEY. Then I will at least force him to speak this session out.

Mr. MASON. Well, the Senator from Texas can force me to no more pleasing duty. Like the distinguished Senator, I love to hear the sound of my own voice. [Laughter.]

Mr. President, upon this question—

Mr. COCKRELL. Mr. President, will the Senator from Illinois yield to me for one moment?

Mr. BAILEY. I object to the Senator from Illinois yielding to anybody. It can not be done except by unanimous consent.

Mr. COCKRELL. I then ask unanimous consent that the Senator from Illinois may yield in order that I may present a resolution.

Mr. BAILEY. The Senator has to ask the unanimous consent of the Senate before he can yield to anybody, because under the rules of the Senate a Senator can not yield without unanimous consent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. PETTUS in the chair). The Chair is of a different opinion.

#### THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Mr. COCKRELL. Mr. President, it affords me sincere pleasure to present to the Senate and to ask the present consideration of a resolution of thanks to our President pro tempore for the uniform courtesy, impartiality, ability, and dignity with which he has presided over the deliberations of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Secretary will read the resolution.

The Secretary read the resolution, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby tendered to the Hon. WILLIAM P. FRYE, President pro tempore of the Senate, for the courteous, dignified, and able manner with which he has presided over its deliberations during the present session.

Mr. BAILEY. Mr. President, I desire heartily to approve this resolution, and I desire to say that one of the reasons why I approve it is that the President of the Senate, in a case relating to my occupancy of the floor, decided distinctly and positively different from what the present occupant of the chair has just decided. [Laughter.]

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the adoption of the resolution offered by the Senator from Missouri.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to. [Applause on the floor and in the galleries.]

#### FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of 12 o'clock m. having arrived,

The PRESIDENT pro tempore said: Senators, I appreciate highly this expression of your confidence. I can only hope that in some regard as your Presiding Officer I may have merited it. May God's benediction abide with you all. Your Presiding Officer declares the Senate adjourned sine die.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, March 4, 1903.

[Continuation of legislative day of February 26, 1903.]

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I make the point that there is no quorum present.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Tennessee makes the point of no quorum, whereupon the gentleman from New York moves a call of the House.

Mr. PAYNE. I call for the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER. And on that motion the gentleman from New York calls for the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The question was taken; and there were—yeas 17, nays 140, answered "present" 55, not voting 138; as follows:

#### YEAS—17.

Billmeyer,  
Cassingham,  
Clark,  
Davis, Fla.  
Finley,

Gordon,  
Green, Pa.  
Lamb,  
Livingston,  
Lloyd,

McAndrews,  
Mahoney,  
Richardson, Ala.  
Robinson, Ind.  
Sheppard,

White,  
Williams, Ill.

#### NAYS—140.

Acheson,  
Adams,  
Allen, Me.  
Aplin,  
Babcock,  
Barney,  
Bartholdt,  
Bates,  
Blakeney,  
Boutell,  
Bowersock,  
Brandegge,  
Brick,  
Bromwell,  
Brown,  
Brownlow,  
Burke, S. Dak.  
Burkett,  
Burleigh,  
Burton,  
Calderhead,  
Cannon,  
Capron,  
Cassel,  
Connell,  
Conner,  
Corliss,  
Cousins,  
Cromer,  
Crumpacker,  
Currier,  
Dalzell,  
Deemer,  
Dick,  
Dovener,

Draper,  
Driscoll,  
Dwight,  
Eddy,  
Elliott,  
Emerson,  
Esch,  
Evans,  
Fletcher,  
Fordney,  
Foss,  
Fowler,  
Gaines, W. Va.  
Gardner, Mich.  
Gardner, N. J.  
Gibson,  
Gill,  
Gillett, N. Y.  
Gillett, Mass.  
Graft,  
Greene, Mass.  
Grosvenor,  
Hamilton,  
Haskins,  
Hemenway,  
Henry, Conn.  
Hepburn,  
Hildebrandt,  
Hitt,  
Holliday,  
Hopkins,  
Howell,  
Hughes,  
Hull,  
Irwin,

Jackson, Md.  
Jenkins,  
Jones, Wash.  
Joy,  
Ketcham,  
Knapp,  
Kyle,  
Lacey,  
Lewis, Pa.  
Littauer,  
Long,  
Loud,  
Loudenslager,  
Lovering,  
McCall,  
Mann,  
Marshall,  
Martin,  
Mercer,  
Miller,  
Minor,  
Moody,  
Moon,  
Morgan,  
Morris,  
Mudd,  
Needham,  
Nevin,  
Olmsted,  
Otjen,  
Overstreet,  
Parker,  
Payne,  
Pearre,

#### ANSWERED "PRESENT"—55.

Adamson,  
Bartlett,  
Belmont,  
Bishop,  
Breazeale,  
Broussard,  
Brundidge,  
Burlison,  
Caldwell,  
Candler,  
Clayton,  
Cowherd,  
Curtis,  
Fleming,

Flood,  
Grow,  
Hay,  
Howard,  
Johnson,  
Jones, Va.  
Kitchin, Wm. W.  
Kluttz,  
Lester,  
Lindsay,  
McClellan,  
McRae,  
Maddox,  
Metcalfe,

Miers, Ind.  
Neville,  
Padgett,  
Prince,  
Randall, Tex.  
Ransdell, La.  
Rhea,  
Rixey,  
Robb,  
Russell,  
Selby,  
Shackleford,  
Sherman,  
Sims,

#### NOT VOTING—138.

Alexander,  
Allen, Ky.  
Ball,  
Bankhead,  
Beidler,  
Bell,  
Bellamy,  
Benton,  
Bingham,  
 Blackburn,  
Boreing,  
Bowie,  
Brantley,  
Bristow,  
Bull,  
Burgess,  
Burk, Pa.  
Burnett,  
Butler,  
Cochran,  
Conry,  
Coombs,  
Cooney,  
Cooper, Tex.  
Cooper, Wis.  
Creamer,  
Crowley,

Cushman,  
Dahle,  
Darragh,  
Davey, La.  
Davidson,  
Dayton,  
De Armond,  
Dinsmore,  
Dougherty,  
Douglas,  
Edwards,  
Feely,  
Fitzgerald,  
Flanagan,  
Foerderer,  
Foster, Ill.  
Foster, Vt.  
Fox,  
Gaines, Tenn.  
Gardner, Mass.  
Gilbert,  
Glass,  
Glenn,  
Goldfogle,  
Gooch,  
Graham,  
Griffith,

McCulloch,  
McDermott,  
McLachlan,  
McLain,  
Mahon,  
Maynard,  
Meyer, La.  
Mickey,  
Mondell,  
Morrell,  
Moss,  
Mutchler,  
Napfen,  
Newlands,  
Norton,  
Palmer,  
Patterson, Pa.  
Patterson, Tenn.  
Pierce,  
Pou,  
Pugsley,  
Reid,  
Richardson, Tenn.  
Robertson, La.  
Robinson, Nebr.  
Rucker,  
Ruppert,

Ryan,	Southwick,	Thayer,	Weeks,
Scarborough,	Sparkman,	Thomas, N. O.	Wheeler,
Shafroth,	Steele,	Tompkins, N. Y.	Wiley,
Shallenberger,	Stewart, N. J.	Tompkins, Ohio	Woods,
Skiles,	Sulzer,	Trimble,	Wooten,
Small,	Swann,	Vandiver,	Zenor.
Smith, Ky.	Talbert,	Van Voorhis,	
Smith, Wm. Alden	Tate,	Watson,	

So a call of the House was refused.

The following additional pairs were announced:

Until further notice:

Mr. WANGER with Mr. ADAMSON.

Mr. FOSTER of Vermont with Mr. POUL.

Mr. CURTIS with Mr. BURGESS.

Mr. COOMBS with Mr. DAVEY of Louisiana.

Mr. PATTERSON of Pennsylvania with Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama.

Mr. CANNON assumed the chair amid loud general applause. The result of the vote was then announced as above recorded.

#### VOTE OF THANKS TO THE SPEAKER.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York offers the resolution which the Clerk will report.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House are presented to the Hon. DAVID B. HENDERSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has presided over its deliberations and performed the arduous and important duties of the Chair during the present term of Congress.

[Loud applause on the Republican side.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York is recognized.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I feel it a high honor and privilege to be permitted to offer this resolution to the retiring Speaker of the House of Representatives; and it is not the first time, Mr. Speaker, that this resolution has been offered by a member of the majority party, although similar resolutions have been offered and passed by every Congress, commencing with the first Congress, in our history. There are numerous cases, Mr. Speaker, in which the resolution has met with opposition, in which there have been votes in opposition, and in which a member in sympathy politically with the majority has offered this resolution. In the Fifth Congress such a precedent occurred, when Speaker Dayton was retiring; in the Sixth Congress, as to Speaker Sedgwick; in the Tenth Congress, as to Speaker Varnum; in the Twelfth Congress, when that man who has illuminated the history of his country, Henry Clay, was retiring from the Speaker's office. [Applause.] Again in the Twentieth, when Speaker Stevenson retired; again in the Twenty-fifth Congress, when James K. Polk laid down the gavel, still he was refused a unanimous vote of thanks from that Congress. In the Twenty-seventh Congress, Speaker White; in the Thirtieth Congress, that noted Speaker in history, Speaker Winthrop, of Massachusetts; in the Thirty-second and Thirty-third, Speaker Boyd; in the Thirty-fourth, Speaker Banks; in the Thirty-fifth Congress, Speaker Orr; in the Thirty-sixth Congress, Speaker Pennington; in the Forty-seventh Congress, Speaker Keifer; in the Fifty-first Congress, that great Speaker, that great statesman, that man who, recently called from the scenes of life, is mourned by the nation, Thomas B. Reed [loud applause], was refused this recognition. And so we are not without precedent. The House honors itself by honoring the office of the Speaker of the House—the great office of Speaker of the House—by passing such a resolution as this. And, of the long line of Speakers, bearing in mind the history of each of his predecessors, what Speaker is more entitled to this recognition, as he lays down the insignia of his office, for his impartiality, for his readiness to recognize the opposition and the members of the opposition, as well as the members of his own party, for the dignity with which he has conducted the affairs of his office, for his high character in that office than DAVID B. HENDERSON? [Prolonged applause on the Republican side.]

Mr. Speaker, I demand the previous question on the adoption of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CANNON). The gentleman from New York demands the previous question.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. Speaker, I demand the yeas and nays.

The question of ordering the yeas and nays was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Twenty-one members have arisen to demand the yeas and nays. Necessary to call the yeas and nays, 42. The yeas and nays are refused. [Applause on the Republican side.] The question now is on agreeing to the resolution.

Mr. COCHRAN. I demand the yeas and nays, Mr. Speaker.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Seventeen gentlemen have arisen. Forty-two is necessary to demand the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays are refused. The yeas have it, and the resolution is adopted. [Applause on the Republican side.]

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States:

#### To the House of Representatives:

I return without approval House bill 14051, entitled "An act granting the consent of Congress to N. F. Thompson and associates to erect a dam and construct a power station at Muscle Shoals, Alabama."

The recent development of the application of water power to the production of electricity available for use at considerable distances has revealed an element of substantial value in streams which the Government is or is liable to be called upon to improve for purposes of navigation, and this value, in my judgment, should be properly utilized to defray the cost of the improvement. Wherever the Government constructs a dam and lock for the purpose of navigation there is a waterfall of great value. It does not seem right or just that this element of local value should be given away to private individuals of the vicinage, and at the same time the people of the whole country should be taxed for the local improvement.

It seems clear that justice to the taxpayers of the country demands that when the Government is or may be called upon to improve a stream the improvement should be made to pay for itself, so far as practicable. I am advised that at another point on the same river to which this bill refers there is an authorized project for improvement by the Government at a cost of over \$800,000, and that an offer has been made by a responsible citizen to do the entire work without expense to the Government provided he can be authorized to use the water power. I think it is desirable that the entire subject of granting privileges of the kind referred to in this bill should be considered in a comprehensive way and that a general policy appropriate to the new conditions caused by the advance in electrical science should be adopted under which these valuable rights will not be practically given away, but will be disposed of after full competition in such a way as shall best conserve the public interests.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

WHITE HOUSE, March 3, 1903.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the bill.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc.*, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to N. F. Thompson, J. W. Johnson, J. E. Thompson, and Scott Dibert, for themselves, associates, or assigns, to construct a dam or dams in the Tennessee River at such points as they may elect, between the western line of section 6, township 3, range 9, and the mouth of Town Creek in northern portion of Lawrence County, Ala., along the southern bank of said river, for the purpose of erecting and operating power stations, and to maintain inlet and outlet races or canals and to make such other improvements as may be necessary for the development of water power and transmission of the same: *Provided*, That the constructions hereby authorized do not in any way interfere with the Muscle Shoals Canal, or with navigation of said river: *Provided further*, That until the plans and location of the work herein authorized, so far as they affect the interests of navigation, have been approved by the Secretary of War, the improvements shall not be commenced or built, and the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to fix reasonable charges for use of said power.

SEC. 2. That unless the work herein authorized shall be commenced within one year and completed within three years from date hereof the privileges hereby granted shall cease and determine.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or to repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the message be referred to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, and I will yield three minutes to the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. RICHARDSON].

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Before the gentleman proceeds, the Chair desires to submit a matter for unanimous consent. The gentleman from Georgia [Mr. LIVINGSTON].

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, representing the majority, and myself, representing the minority, may have the privilege of printing a financial statement within the next two days in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Georgia asks unanimous consent that the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, and the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. LIVINGSTON], at the head of the minority upon that committee, may print the usual statement of appropriations within the next two days in the RECORD. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The gentleman from New York [Mr. PAYNE] moves to refer this message and the accompanying bill to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Mr. PAYNE. I yield three minutes to the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. RICHARDSON].

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I wish to make a parliamentary inquiry; whether it is not admissible to make a motion that this bill be put on its passage, notwithstanding the veto of the President.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The motion to refer takes precedence.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I could not hear the reasons that the President gave for vetoing—

Mr. PAYNE. Before the gentleman proceeds, I will modify my motion and substitute the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce for the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has a right to modify his motion. The question is now on referring the veto message to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Mr. PAYNE. Now I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, amidst the confusion in the House I was utterly unable to hear the reasons given by the Chief Executive for his disapproval of this small local act, which certainly guards and protects the interests of the



Government as much as any bill of this character that ever passed this House. As an evidence of that, Mr. Speaker, I desire to read what the Chief Engineer of the United States Army, General Gillespie, says about it:

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS,  
UNITED STATES ARMY,  
Washington, May 10, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to return herewith a letter, dated the 30th ultimo, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce of the House of Representatives, inclosing for the views of the War Department thereon H. R. 14051, Fifty-seventh Congress, first session, "A bill granting to N. F. Thompson and associates the right to erect a dam and construct power station at Muscle Shoals, Alabama," and in reply to its reference to this office, I beg to recommend certain amendments to the bill, which are indicated on a copy of the same herewith submitted.

The Chief Engineer of the United States Army proceeds to state the only objection that could possibly be urged against the bill; and in accordance with his suggestion the bill was amended so as to obviate that objection. He says further:

As thus amended, I know of no objection to the passage of the bill by Congress, so far as the interests of navigation are concerned.

Attention is invited to the fact, however, that by an act approved March 3, 1899, which is still in full force and effect, Congress granted to the Muscle Shoals Power Company a privilege similar to the one embraced in the bill under consideration.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

G. L. GILLESPIE,

Brigadier-General, Chief of Engineers, United States Army.

Hon. EDITH ROOT,  
Secretary of War.

This bill simply proposes to grant to N. F. Thompson and associates the consent of Congress for themselves and associates to construct a dam or dams at certain points on the Tennessee River. I am as much opposed as anyone on this floor to the grant by the Government of the exclusive right to any company or class of men to enjoy a certain franchise. This bill does not pretend to carry an exclusive franchise. The same privilege granted by this bill is open to the world. It requires that the work must commence in one year after the passage of the law and be finished in three, or the franchise will be forfeited.

This power company, exercising the franchise granted to N. F. Thompson and his associates, is to be located at a part of the Tennessee River where it can not possibly interfere with navigation. The Tennessee Valley, is growing and increasing in a manner unsurpassed by any section of the American Union. The promoters associated in this matter, without intending to interfere with the rights of navigation in any way, propose simply to establish a power there by which (the water power and the transmission of the same) they will transmit light to different cities, and also run cotton factories and power stations. Why the President of the United States should have been induced or persuaded in any way to disapprove a local bill of this character, to which the Chief of Engineers of the United States Army says there is no objection whatever, I can not understand.

Under these conditions and circumstances I think it right, Mr. Speaker, for me to present these views. We have been engaged in a contest here for several days; but I have seen no local bill that has been brought up that has not received, under a suspension of the rules, a two-thirds vote. As I have said, I could not hear read the reasons stated by the President for vetoing this local bill. I never heard of the veto until yesterday; and I confess I am surprised. I should have been glad to meet the reasons assigned for interposing this veto.

Why, Mr. Speaker, there is nothing in this measure except that which has been granted repeatedly during this session on this floor. The Government is amply protected in this bill by the following proviso:

*Provided, That the constructions hereby authorized do not in any way interfere with the Muscle Shoals Canal, or with navigation of said river: Provided further, That until the plans and location of the work herein authorized, so far as they affect the interests of navigation, have been approved by the Secretary of War, the improvements shall not be commenced or built, and the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to fix reasonable charges for use of said power.*

If it be a valuable franchise, then the Secretary of War will ascertain that fact and act accordingly, because he is "authorized and directed to fix reasonable charges for the use of said power." There certainly should be no trouble on that line. The right provided does not interfere with navigation. If it is valuable the Government will charge for it.

How could the Government be better safeguarded and protected than by leaving the determination of this matter in the hands of the Secretary of War.

I am very much obliged to the distinguished gentleman from New York [Mr. PAYNE] for giving me the time that he has granted.

Mr. PAYNE. I yield five minutes to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. BURTON].

Mr. BURTON. Mr. Speaker, I believe that the veto of the President is right; and I do not abandon the hope that the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. RICHARDSON] will himself come to

the same conclusion when he has carefully examined this veto message. The message is sufficient in itself, and needs no additional argument from me or from anyone else. It is aimed at a vicious practice, which has been illustrated, not one hundred times, as the gentleman Alabama states, but perhaps ten or twelve times, by legislation enacted by Congress. You can not say this is a mere local measure. Such a bill as this fixes a precedent for the use of water power on every navigable stream in the United States.

What does it do? It says that in a stretch of the Tennessee River, where there is water power which, under the present development in the utilization of power of this nature, is worth millions of dollars, three or four individuals named in this bill shall have the sole and only right to utilize that privilege.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. BURTON. It says in effect that no other citizen of Tennessee, no other citizen of the United States in that locality can enter there and utilize that power.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman from Ohio yield?

Mr. BURTON. Yes.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Tennessee. Is it not a fact that in this very bill, as to the value of the rights that may be granted, the Secretary of War is allowed to make such charges as he may think right and proper?

Mr. BURTON. I will answer that question in the gentleman's own words in some remarks made in this House last June. He then said it was expected that those charges would be only nominal.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Tennessee. And, Mr. Speaker, allow me to say in that respect that in that matter I have been greatly disappointed, and the Government has not accepted the views that I then entertained that those charges would be nominal. There is the trouble.

Mr. BURTON. Mr. Speaker, I yielded simply for a question. The injury done by legislation of this kind is twofold. In the first place it gives away a privilege of the greatest value and fixes a precedent by which the Government, after making expensive public works in rivers, constructing locks and dams or otherwise, absolutely barter away for nothing that which is of greater value than the cost of the works themselves. In the next place it means that no one shall enjoy that privilege except he comes here and passes a bill through Congress, thereby throwing the doors wide open for favoritism and monopoly. If this bill is analyzed and its full effect is considered it seems to me that any gentleman who advocates such a proposition will have difficulty in explaining to his constituents why he is willing to select one individual or a coterie of individuals, a company or a corporation, to give to him or them alone so great an advantage. This House has occasion for congratulation that the President by the veto ax has put his seal of disapproval upon measures of this kind.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I yield two minutes to the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. RICHARDSON].

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, the remarks of the distinguished gentleman from Ohio, chairman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee, are very singular, at least in one respect. He gives no reasons whatsoever, either as given by the President or himself, why this bill should have been vetoed; and I call the attention of the distinguished gentleman from Ohio [Mr. BURTON] to the fact that a similar bill granting a like power to the Muscle Shoals Company, located about the same place, passed with the approval of the distinguished gentleman and of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors in the Fifty-fifth Congress, and also an act that I recently had amended by extension of time involving exactly the same principle, and there was no objection made then by the chairman of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

This bill, Mr. Speaker, came from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, which inquired into the facts. The gentlemen constituting that committee know well what the facts are, and by unanimous vote sent the bill to this House. But that committee has been overruled. After a committee of that importance has investigated the facts and by unanimous report sent the bill to Congress, are we to be expected now to stop here simply because the President, under some influence, by the operation of some power, has been induced to veto this little local bill? It is the same kind of a bill that we have passed many times before, and there is no man who can tell what reasons the President has given for vetoing this bill, not a man. We are not expected just simply because it comes in here with an Executive veto to indorse it and approve it unless we think it is right to do so.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I demand the previous question.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama. And upon that, Mr. Speaker, I ask the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The question was taken; and there were—yeas 158, nays 85, answered "present" 10, not voting 97; as follows:

## YEAS—158.

Acheson,	Dayton,	Hull,	Pearre,
Adams,	Deemer,	Irwin,	Perkins,
Alexander,	Dick,	Jack,	Powers, Me.
Allen, Me.	Douglas,	Jackson, Md.	Powers, Mass.
Aplin,	Dovener,	Jenkins,	Reeder,
Babcock,	Draper,	Jones, Wash.	Reeves,
Barney,	Dwight,	Ketcham,	Roberts,
Bartholdt,	Eddy,	Knapp,	Schirm,
Bates,	Elliott,	Kyle,	Shattuc,
Beidler,	Emerson,	Lacey,	Showalter,
Bishop,	Esch,	Landis,	Sibley,
Blackburn,	Evans,	Lawrence,	Smith, Ill.
Boreing,	Finley,	Lewis, Pa.	Smith, Iowa
Boutell,	Fordney,	Littner,	Smith, H. C.
Bowersock,	Gardner, Mass.	Littlefield,	Smith, S. W.
Brandegge,	Gardner, Mich.	Long,	Smith, Wm. Alden
Brick,	Gardner, N. J.	Loudenslager,	Southard,
Brown,	Gibson,	Loving,	Southwick,
Brown,	Gill,	McCall,	Sperry,
Brownlow,	Gillet, N. Y.	McLachlan,	Stevens, Minn.
Burke, S. Dak.	Gillett, Mass.	Mahon,	Stewart, N. Y.
Burleigh,	Graham,	Mann,	Storm,
Burton,	Greene, Mass.	Marshall,	Sullivan,
Butler,	Grosvenor,	Martin,	Sutherland,
Calderhead,	Hamilton,	Mercer,	Taylor, Ohio
Cannon,	Hanbury,	Minor,	Thomas, Iowa
Capron,	Haskins,	Mondell,	Tirrell,
Cassel,	Haugen,	Moody,	Tompkins, N. Y.
Connell,	Heatwole,	Moon,	Van Voorhis,
Conner,	Hedge,	Morgan,	Vreeland,
Coombs,	Hemenway,	Morris,	Wachter,
Cooper, Wis.	Henry, Conn.	Moss,	Wagoner,
Corliss,	Hepburn,	Mudd,	Warner,
Cousins,	Hildebrandt,	Olmsted,	Warnock,
Cromer,	Hitt,	Otjen,	Weeks,
Crumpacker,	Holliday,	Overstreet,	Wright,
Currier,	Hopkins,	Parker,	Young,
Cushman,	Howell,	Patterson, Pa.	
Dalzell,	Hughes,	Payne,	
Davidson,			

## NAYS—85.

Adamson,	Feely,	McRae,	Sims,
Bankhead,	Fitzgerald,	Maddox,	Slayden,
Belmont,	Flanagan,	Mahoney,	Smith, Ky.
Benton,	Fleming,	Maynard,	Snodgrass,
Billmeyer,	Flood,	Mickey,	Snook,
Bowie,	Goldfogle,	Miers, Ind.	Spight,
Breazeale,	Gooch,	Mutchler,	Stephens, Tex.
Broussard,	Gordon,	Newlands,	Sulzer,
Brundidge,	Griggs,	Pierce,	Swanson,
Burleson,	Jackson, Kans.	Randell, Tex.	Thompson,
Caldwell,	Kehoe,	Rhea,	Trimble,
Candler,	Kitchin, Claude	Richardson, Ala.	Underwood,
Cassingham,	Kitchin, Wm. W.	Richardson, Tenn.	Vandiver,
Clark,	Klutz,	Rixey,	Wanger,
Clayton,	Lamb,	Robinson, Ind.	White,
Cochran,	Lester,	Rucker,	Wiley,
Cooney,	Lewis, Ga.	Russell,	Williams, Ill.
Cowherd,	Little,	Ryan,	Williams, Miss.
Davis, Fla.	Lloyd,	Selby,	Zenor.
De Armond,	McAndrews,	Shackleford,	
Dinsmore,	McClellan,	Shallenberger,	
Dougherty,	McLain,	Sheppard,	

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—10.

Burgess,	Grow,	Metcalf,	Wadsworth.
Foster, Vt.	Howard,	Prince,	
Glass,	Loud,	Sherman,	

## NOT VOTING—97.

Allen, Ky.	Foss,	Lessler,	Scarborough,
Ball,	Foster, Ill.	Lever,	Scott,
Bartlett,	Fowler,	Lindsay,	Shafroth,
Bell,	Fox,	Livingston,	Shelden,
Bellamy,	Gaines, Tenn.	McCleary,	Skiles,
Bingham,	Gaines, W. Va.	McCulloch,	Small,
Blakeney,	Gilbert,	McDermott,	Sparkman,
Brantley,	Glenn,	Meyer, La.	Stark,
Bristow,	Green, Pa.	Morrell,	Steele,
Bull,	Griffith,	Napfen,	Stewart, N. J.
Burk, Pa.	Hay,	Needham,	Swann,
Burkett,	Henry, Miss.	Neville,	Talbert,
Burnett,	Henry, Tex.	Norton,	Tate,
Conry,	Hill,	Padgett,	Taylor, Ala.
Cooper, Tex.	Hooker,	Palmer,	Thomas, N. C.
Creamer,	Jett,	Patterson, Tenn.	Tompkins, Ohio
Crowley,	Johnson,	Pou,	Watson,
Curtis,	Jones, Va.	Pugsley,	Wheeler,
Dahle,	Joy,	Ransdell, La.	Wilson,
Darragh,	Kahn,	Reid,	Woods,
Davey, La.	Kern,	Robb,	Wooten.
Driscoll,	Kleberg,	Robertson, La.	
Edwards,	Lassiter,	Robinson, Nebr.	
Fletcher,	Latimer,	Ruppert,	

So the previous question was ordered.

The Clerk announced the following additional pair:

On this vote:

Mr. WOODS with Mr. MEYER of Louisiana.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question now is on the motion of the gentleman from New York [Mr. PAYNE] to refer the message, with the accompanying papers, to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

The question being taken, Mr. RICHARDSON of Alabama demanded a division.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The question was taken; and there were—yeas 200, nays 64, answering "present" 6, not voting 80; as follows:

## YEAS—200.

Acheson,	Deemer,	Holliday,	Payne,
Adams,	Dick,	Hopkins,	Perkins,
Alexander,	Douglas,	Howell,	Powers, Mass.
Allen, Me.	Dovener,	Hughes,	Prince,
Aplin,	Draper,	Hull,	Reeder,
Babcock,	Driscoll,	Irwin,	Reeves,
Barney,	Eddy,	Jack,	Rixey,
Bartholdt,	Elliott,	Jackson, Md.	Roberts,
Bates,	Emerson,	Jenkins,	Scott,
Beidler,	Esch,	Jones, Wash.	Selby,
Billmeyer,	Evans,	Joy,	Shackleford,
Bishop,	Feely,	Ketcham,	Shallenberger,
Blackburn,	Finley,	Kitchin, Wm. W.	Shattuc,
Blackney,	Fitzgerald,	Knapp,	Shelden,
Boreing,	Flanagan,	Lacey,	Showalter,
Boutell,	Flood,	Landis,	Sibley,
Bowersock,	Foerderer,	Latimer,	Smith, Ill.
Bristow,	Fordney,	Lawrence,	Smith, Iowa
Brown,	Foss,	Lewis, Pa.	Smith, H. C.
Brownlow,	Foster, Vt.	Littlefield,	Smith, S. W.
Burk, Pa.	Fowler,	Lloyd,	Smith, Wm. Alden
Burke, S. Dak.	Gaines, W. Va.	Long,	Snodgrass,
Burke, S. Dak.	Gardner, Mass.	Loving,	Southard,
Burke, S. Dak.	Gardner, Mich.	McAndrews,	Sperry,
Burleigh,	Gibson,	McCall,	Stark,
Burleson,	Gill,	McCleary,	Stewart, N. J.
Burton,	Gillet, N. Y.	McClellan,	Stewart, N. Y.
Butler,	Gillett, Mass.	McLachlan,	Storm,
Calderhead,	Glass,	Mahon,	Sullivan,
Cannon,	Goldfogle,	Mahoney,	Sutherland,
Capron,	Gordon,	Marshall,	Swann,
Cassel,	Graft,	Martin,	Tate,
Cassingham,	Graham,	Mercer,	Tawney,
Cochran,	Greene, Mass.	Miller,	Taylor, Ohio
Connell,	Griggs,	Minor,	Thomas, Iowa
Conner,	Grosvenor,	Mondell,	Tirrell,
Coombs,	Grow,	Morgan,	Tompkins, N. Y.
Cooper, Wis.	Hamilton,	Morrell,	Van Voorhis,
Corliss,	Hanbury,	Morris,	Vreeland,
Cousins,	Haskins,	Moss,	Wachter,
Cowherd,	Haugen,	Mudd,	Wanger,
Cromer,	Hay,	Napfen,	Warner,
Crumpacker,	Heatwole,	Nedham,	Warnock,
Currier,	Hedge,	Nevin,	Watson,
Dahle,	Hemenway,	Olmsted,	Weeks,
Dalzell,	Hepburn,	Otjen,	Williams, Ill.
Darragh,	Hildebrandt,	Overstreet,	Wright,
Davidson,	Hill,	Palmer,	Young,
Dayton,	Hitt,	Parker,	Zenor.

## NAYS—64.

Adamson,	Dinsmore,	Little,	Russell,
Bankhead,	Dougherty,	Livingston,	Ryan,
Bartlett,	Fleming,	McCulloch,	Sheppard,
Belmont,	Gaines, Tenn.	McLain,	Slayden,
Benton,	Gooch,	McRae,	Smith, Ky.
Bowie,	Green, Pa.	Maddox,	Spight,
Breazeale,	Griffith,	Maynard,	Stephens, Tex.
Broussard,	Howard,	Mickey,	Sulzer,
Brundidge,	Jackson, Kans.	Miers, Ind.	Swanson,
Caldwell,	Jones, Va.	Pierce,	Taylor, Ala.
Candler,	Kehoe,	Pou,	Thomas, N. C.
Clark,	Kitchin, Claude	Randell, Tex.	Thompson,
Clayton,	Klutz,	Ransdell, La.	Trimble,
Davey, La.	Lester,	Rhea,	Underwood,
Davis, Fla.	Lewis, Ga.	Richardson, Ala.	White,
De Armond,	Lindsay,	Rucker,	Williams, Miss.

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—6.

Burgess,	Metcalf,	Sims,	Wadsworth.
Mann,	Richardson, Tenn.		

## NOT VOTING—80.

Allen, Ky.	Gardner, N. J.	McDermott,	Scarborough,
Ball,	Gilbert,	Meyer, La.	Schirm,
Bell,	Glenn,	Moody,	Shafroth,
Bellamy,	Henry, Conn.	Moon,	Sherman,
Bingham,	Henry, Miss.	Mutchler,	Skiles,
Brandegge,	Henry, Tex.	Neville,	Small,
Brantley,	Hooker,	Newlands,	Snook,
Bull,	Jett,	Norton,	Southwick,
Burnett,	Johnson,	Padgett,	Sparkman,
Conry,	Kahn,	Patterson, Pa.	Stevens, Minn.
Cowherd,	Kern,	Patterson, Tenn.	Talbert,
Crowley,	Kleberg,	Pearre,	Thayer,
Curtis,	Knox,	Powers, Me.	Tompkins, Ohio
Dahle,	Lamb,	Pugsley,	Vandiver,
Darragh,	Lassiter,	Reid,	Wagoner,
Davey, La.	Lessler,	Robb,	Wheeler,
Driscoll,	Lever,	Robertson, La.	Wiley,
Edwards,	Littauer,	Robinson, Ind.	Wilson,
Fletcher,	Loud,	Robinson, Nebr.	Woods,
Foerderer,	Loudenslager,	Ruppert,	Wooten.

So the motion to refer was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. PARKINSON, its reading clerk, announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of two Senators be appointed by the Chair to join a similar committee appointed by the House of Representatives to wait



upon the President of the United States and inform him that the two Houses have completed the business of the present session and are ready to adjourn, unless he may have some other communication to make to them.

And that in compliance with the foregoing the President pro tempore appointed as said committee on the part of the Senate Mr. ALLISON and Mr. JONES of Arkansas.

#### COMMITTEE TO WAIT ON PRESIDENT.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that a committee of three be appointed to join the committee appointed by the Senate to wait on the President.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York asks unanimous consent that a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to join the committee appointed by the Senate to wait upon the President. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none. The Chair appoints the gentleman from New York, Mr. PAYNE, the gentleman from Ohio, Mr. GROSVENOR, and the gentleman from Tennessee, Mr. RICHARDSON.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED.

Mr. WACHTER, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the following titles:

H. R. 17493. An act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for prior years, and for other purposes;

H. R. 15155. An act to refund the amount of duties paid on merchandise brought into the United States from Porto Rico between April 11, 1899, and May 1, 1900, and also on merchandise brought into the United States from the Philippine Islands between April 11, 1899, and March 8, 1902, and for other purposes;

H. R. 3420. An act granting a pension to Anna O. Brush;

H. R. 11340. An act for the relief of McClure & Willbanks;

H. R. 16881. An act to authorize the court of county commissioners of Geneva County, Ala., to construct a bridge across the Choctawhatchee River in Geneva County, Ala.; and

H. R. 17288. An act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bills of the following titles:

S. 6702. An act granting an increase of pension to Emily Lawrence Reed; and

S. 3522. An act to increase the pension of Mexican war survivors to \$12 per month.

#### SENATE BILLS REFERRED.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, Senate bills and joint resolutions were taken from the Speaker's table and referred to their appropriate committees as indicated below:

S. R. 169. A joint resolution providing for the placing of bronze tablets on the custom-house and post-office building in Savannah, Ga.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

S. 7390. An act to ratify and amend an agreement with the Sioux tribe of Indians of the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota, and making appropriation and provision to carry the same into effect—to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 7368. An act to incorporate the American National Institute (Prix de Paris) at Paris, France—to the Committee on the Library.

S. 7283. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to permit the Pintsch Compressing Company to lay pipes in certain streets in the city of Washington," approved May 19, 1896—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

S. 7445. An act to provide for the appointment of a district judge for the western judicial district of South Carolina, and for other purposes—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 7285. An act authorizing, empowering, and directing the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries to establish in the State of Florida, on the Gulf of Mexico, a station for the investigation of problems connected with the marine-fishery interests of the region—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

S. 6599. An act to provide a government for the island Guam, and for other purposes—to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

S. 7054. An act to provide a government for the island of Tutuila, and the islands adjacent thereto, within the jurisdiction of the United States—to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

S. 3350. An act in regard to a monumental column to commemorate the battle of Princeton, and appropriating \$30,000 therefor—to the Committee on the Library.

S. 7351. An act to authorize the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Allegheny River, in the State of Pennsylvania—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

S. 7392. An act to authorize the construction and maintenance of a dam across the Kansas River within the counties of Shawnee and Wabaunsee, in the State of Kansas—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

S. 7407. An act to authorize the Donora Southern Railroad Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of

the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to construct and maintain a bridge across the Monongahela River in the State of Pennsylvania—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

S. R. 170. Joint resolution for the transfer of the authority, power, and jurisdiction conferred upon the Secretary of the Treasury by the act "to regulate the immigration of aliens into the United States" to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

S. 7337. An act to amend the act of December 21, 1898, entitled "An act to amend the laws relating to American seamen, for the protection of such seamen, and to promote commerce," in respect to allotments—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Also, the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate its message of February 28, 1903, requesting the House of Representatives to return to the Senate the bill (H. R. 16775) establishing United States courts at Duncan, Marietta, and Comanche, Ind. T.—

to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also:

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate the bill (H. R. 16775) establishing United States courts at Duncan, Marietta, and Comanche, Ind. T.—

to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also:

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate bill (S. 6339) to confirm certain forest-land selections made under the act approved June 4, 1897 (30 Stats., 36)—

to the Committee on the Public Lands.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. BARNES, one of his secretaries, announced that bills of the following numbers and titles were received and not approved by the President:

On March 4, 1903:

H. R. 2199. An act to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Jonas Albert;

H. R. 5907. An act granting a pension to David S. Taylor;

H. R. 15573. An act granting a pension to Cynthia Thomas;

H. R. 16361. An act granting an increase of pension to John W. Chancellor; and

H. R. 16445. An act granting an increase of pension to Luke Madden, alias John E. McDonald.

#### ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Mr. WACHTER, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had presented this day to the President of the United States for his approval bills of the following titles:

H. R. 15802. An act for the relief of certain homestead settlers in the State of Alabama;

H. R. 17085. An act to effectuate the provisions of the additional act of the international convention for the protection of industrial property;

H. R. 17202. An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes;

H. R. 17026. An act granting a pension to Jerome W. Turner;

H. R. 1488. An act for the relief of T. A. Woodress;

H. R. 12199. An act to regulate the immigration of aliens into the United States;

H. R. 14758. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary A. Talbott;

H. R. 17288. An act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes;

H. R. 16881. An act to authorize the court of county commissioners of Geneva County, Ala., to construct a bridge across the Choctawhatchee River in Geneva County, Ala.;

H. R. 3420. An act granting a pension to Anna O. Brush;

H. R. 11340. An act for the relief of McClure & Willbanks;

H. R. 15155. An act to refund the amount of duties paid on merchandise brought into the United States from Porto Rico between April 11, 1899, and May 1, 1900, and also on merchandise brought into the United States from the Philippine Islands between April 11, 1899, and March 8, 1902, and for other purposes;

H. R. 13075. An act to amend section 3 of the "act further to prevent counterfeiting or manufacturing of dies, tools, or other implements used in manufacturing," etc., approved February 10, 1891;

H. R. 15799. An act to confirm the name of Seward square for the space formed by the intersection of C street south and Pennsylvania and North Carolina avenues, District of Columbia;

H. R. 5357. An act for the relief of William Leech; and

H. R. 7659. An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 5191 and 5192 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and for other purposes."

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. BARNES, one of his secretaries, announced that the President had approved and signed bills of the following titles:

H. R. 942. An act granting a pension to John R. Dougherty;  
H. R. 962. An act granting a pension to Rodney W. Anderson;  
H. R. 1016. An act granting a pension to Charles S. F. Hilton;  
H. R. 1238. An act granting a pension to Margaret A. Stuart;  
H. R. 2616. An act granting a pension to Mary J. Goodrich;  
H. R. 2911. An act granting a pension to Charles M. Walker;  
H. R. 2913. An act granting a pension to Catharine A. Sawdy;  
H. R. 3026. An act granting a pension to Martha J. Bishop;  
H. R. 3207. An act granting a pension to Johanna Buse;  
H. R. 3261. An act granting a pension to George R. Grubangh;  
H. R. 4501. An act granting a pension to Sarah D. Lightfoot;  
H. R. 4723. An act granting a pension to George A. Liston;  
H. R. 4734. An act granting a pension to Deborah J. Fogle;  
H. R. 4925. An act granting a pension to Joel Thomason;  
H. R. 4952. An act granting a pension to Abner D. Rutherford;  
H. R. 5586. An act granting a pension to Oliver W. Newton;  
H. R. 6656. An act granting a pension to Samantha Yant;  
H. R. 6969. An act granting a pension to Bisa C. Morrill;  
H. R. 7367. An act granting a pension to Ellen D. Campbell;  
H. R. 7710. An act granting a pension to Margaret Scanlon;  
H. R. 7844. An act granting a pension to Alonzo Pendland;  
H. R. 8005. An act granting a pension to Samantha A. New-

comb;

H. R. 8061. An act granting a pension to Frances E. Wild;  
H. R. 8244. An act granting a pension to Bridget Logan;  
H. R. 9237. An act granting a pension to John Wallace;  
H. R. 9274. An act granting a pension to Jessie V. Cluxton;  
H. R. 10505. An act granting a pension to Mabel A. Woolsey;  
H. R. 10506. An act granting a pension to Frances E. Luse;  
H. R. 10760. An act granting a pension to Wallace L. Scott;  
H. R. 11388. An act granting a pension to William Vogan;  
H. R. 11546. An act granting a pension to Edward Bryan;  
H. R. 11682. An act granting a pension to Mary E. Winter-

bottom;

H. R. 11958. An act granting a pension to Henry H. Windes;  
H. R. 12090. An act granting a pension to Arvilla N. Stocker;  
H. R. 12611. An act granting a pension to Alexander J. Thomson;  
H. R. 13485. An act granting a pension to Louisa Josephine Stanwood;

H. R. 13612. An act granting a pension to Margaret Bell;  
H. R. 13701. An act granting a pension to Theodore Buri;  
H. R. 13711. An act granting a pension to Simon M. Yates;  
H. R. 13719. An act granting a pension to Nancy McGuire;  
H. R. 13881. An act granting a pension to William M. Wilson;  
H. R. 14091. An act granting a pension to Charles A. Warrick;  
H. R. 14813. An act granting a pension to William Mennecke;  
H. R. 14938. An act granting a pension to Benjamin F. Wilson;  
H. R. 15443. An act granting a pension to Wudora Wells;  
H. R. 15636. An act granting a pension to Matilda Tunison;  
H. R. 15842. An act granting a pension to Mary H. Talcott;  
H. R. 15873. An act granting a pension to Minerva Murphy;  
H. R. 15962. An act granting a pension to Catharine T. R.

Mathews;

H. R. 16077. An act granting a pension to Leighton M. Perveil, alias Charles H. Hunt;

H. R. 16275. An act granting a pension to Isaac B. Price;  
H. R. 16291. An act granting a pension to Leban McGahan;  
H. R. 16309. An act granting a pension to Samuel H. Montanye;  
H. R. 16344. An act granting a pension to Lucinda Lawrence;  
H. R. 16391. An act granting a pension to Ella F. Shandrew;  
H. R. 16476. An act granting a pension to Catherine Rayel;  
H. R. 16697. An act granting a pension to Ellen Johnson;  
H. R. 16752. An act granting a pension to Anton Sauthoff;  
H. R. 16859. An act granting a pension to Florence M. Stout;  
H. R. 17043. An act granting a pension to Martha Maddox;  
H. R. 17093. An act granting a pension to Caroline Schaefer;  
H. R. 17133. An act granting a pension to Kathinka Sichel;  
H. R. 17233. An act granting a pension to John Haynes;  
H. R. 17305. An act granting a pension to Philander H. Graves;  
H. R. 17306. An act granting a pension to Catherine McGuinn;  
H. R. 304. An act granting an increase of pension to George M.

Duffy;

H. R. 700. An act granting an increase of pension to Eben Slawson;

H. R. 833. An act granting an increase of pension to George H. Van Deusen;

H. R. 1062. An act granting an increase of pension to Elias P. Stearns;

H. R. 1087. An act granting an increase of pension to Matthew W. Lincoln;

H. R. 1257. An act granting an increase of pension to James F. Campbell;

H. R. 1274. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary E. Fleming;

H. R. 1422. An act granting an increase of pension to Sarah E. Merritt;

H. R. 1637. An act granting an increase of pension to John A. Spalding;

H. R. 2264. An act granting an increase of pension to George H. Higgins;

H. R. 2787. An act granting an increase of pension to Cornelia S. Ribble;

H. R. 2813. An act granting an increase of pension to Emily Hawkins;

H. R. 3681. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph A. Wilson;

H. R. 3752. An act granting an increase of pension to John E. Pickard;

H. R. 4066. An act granting an increase of pension to Philip Krohn;

H. R. 4155. An act granting an increase of pension to Eliza Wende;

H. R. 4553. An act granting an increase of pension to Samuel S. Mitchell;

H. R. 4632. An act granting an increase of pension to William P. Rhodes;

H. R. 4740. An act granting an increase of pension to James E. Wallace;

H. R. 5010. An act granting an increase of pension to James W. Pace;

H. R. 5281. An act granting an increase of pension to Patrick Mahan;

H. R. 5446. An act granting an increase of pension to James M. Travis;

H. R. 5762. An act granting an increase of pension to William H. T. Hostetler;

H. R. 5876. An act granting an increase of pension to Jacob E. Richards;

H. R. 5960. An act granting an increase of pension to Lambert Johnson;

H. R. 5982. An act granting an increase of pension to Christine B. Knapp;

H. R. 6065. An act granting an increase of pension to James Garland;

H. R. 6101. An act granting an increase of pension to Amanda E. McQuiddy;

H. R. 6127. An act granting an increase of pension to Catherine P. McLorinen;

H. R. 6189. An act granting an increase of pension to Eli Potts;

H. R. 6442. An act granting an increase of pension to Sarah E. Gifford;

H. R. 6470. An act granting an increase of pension to Shepherd H. King;

H. R. 6498. An act granting an increase of pension to John A. Whitman;

H. R. 6593. An act granting an increase of pension to Harry L. Graham;

H. R. 6617. An act granting an increase of pension to Hugh Cool;

H. R. 6719. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Hall;

H. R. 7308. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary Morley;

H. R. 7312. An act granting an increase of pension to James Curley;

H. R. 7510. An act granting an increase of pension to Edward M. Gammon;

H. R. 7708. An act granting an increase of pension to Bridget Fallon;

H. R. 7736. An act granting an increase of pension to Albert W. Allen;

H. R. 7760. An act granting an increase of pension to Thomas Graham;

H. R. 7832. An act granting an increase of pension to Elizabeth Lister;

H. R. 8023. An act granting an increase of pension to John Downing;

H. R. 8085. An act granting an increase of pension to David K. Wardwell;

H. R. 8165. An act granting an increase of pension to Oscar M. Peck;

H. R. 8187. An act granting an increase of pension to William T. Moore;

H. R. 9799. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary Murphy;

H. R. 9912. An act granting an increase of pension to Matilda Smith;



- H. R. 10691. An act granting an increase of pension to Daniel Van Wie;  
H. R. 10869. An act granting an increase of pension to Michael K. Strayer;  
H. R. 10922. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph Feldhausen;  
H. R. 11020. An act granting an increase of pension to Oliver P. Alsbach;  
H. R. 11075. An act granting an increase of pension to Albert J. Hart;  
H. R. 11122. An act granting an increase of pension to John W. Copley;  
H. R. 11189. An act granting an increase of pension to Jennie M. Gilbert;  
H. R. 11371. An act granting an increase of pension to Ferdinand Heiskell;  
H. R. 11428. An act granting an increase of pension to Plummer Lewis;  
H. R. 11616. An act granting an increase of pension to Isaac Harris;  
H. R. 11625. An act granting an increase of pension to Alexander H. Taylor;  
H. R. 11701. An act granting an increase of pension to John C. Wright;  
H. R. 11739. An act granting an increase of pension to Samuel N. Northway;  
H. R. 11833. An act granting an increase of pension to Albanis L. Anderson;  
H. R. 12021. An act granting an increase of pension to Anson Lewis;  
H. R. 12322. An act granting an increase of pension to William F. Wilcox;  
H. R. 12382. An act granting an increase of pension to William Sands;  
H. R. 12492. An act granting an increase of pension to Callie West;  
H. R. 12602. An act granting an increase of pension to Amanda Burke;  
H. R. 12638. An act granting an increase of pension to John W. Day;  
H. R. 12822. An act granting an increase of pension to Michael O. Sullivan;  
H. R. 13046. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph H. Ludlum;  
H. R. 13323. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary Barger;  
H. R. 13634. An act granting an increase of pension to Helen Olivia Leckie;  
H. R. 13713. An act granting an increase of pension to Rebecca Randolph;  
H. R. 13723. An act granting an increase of pension to Oliver C. Jackson;  
H. R. 13772. An act granting an increase of pension to Marcus L. Vermillion;  
H. R. 13793. An act granting an increase of pension to Solomon A. Alexander;  
H. R. 13945. An act granting an increase of pension to Edward T. Durant;  
H. R. 14027. An act granting an increase of pension to Thomas J. Winfrey;  
H. R. 14160. An act granting an increase of pension to Ira J. S. Holmes;  
H. R. 14217. An act granting an increase of pension to George M. Smith;  
H. R. 14235. An act granting an increase of pension to George White;  
H. R. 14236. An act granting an increase of pension to William C. Chatfield;  
H. R. 14263. An act granting an increase of pension to Frederick Journal;  
H. R. 14361. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph N. Alexander;  
H. R. 14439. An act granting an increase of pension to Franklin Peale;  
H. R. 14448. An act granting an increase of pension to James M. Cartmill;  
H. R. 14929. An act granting an increase of pension to John Keen;  
H. R. 14930. An act granting an increase of pension to William H. Houseal;  
H. R. 15387. An act granting an increase of pension to Lott Van Nordstrand;  
H. R. 15403. An act granting an increase of pension to Milton C. Norton;  
H. R. 15404. An act granting an increase of pension to William H. Hattery;  
H. R. 15431. An act granting an increase of pension to Elias Simpson;  
H. R. 15440. An act granting an increase of pension to John Fullerton;  
H. R. 15466. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Robson;  
H. R. 15528. An act granting an increase of pension to John C. Williams;  
H. R. 15533. An act granting an increase of pension to William H. France;  
H. R. 15558. An act granting an increase of pension to David A. Baldwin;  
H. R. 15611. An act granting an increase of pension to William Keith;  
H. R. 15618. An act granting an increase of pension to William O. Boughton;  
H. R. 15619. An act granting an increase of pension to Charles Strong, alias William Clark;  
H. R. 15629. An act granting an increase of pension to Edward Tattersall;  
H. R. 15645. An act granting an increase of pension to Wilson French;  
H. R. 15665. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Carr;  
H. R. 15688. An act granting an increase of pension to Franklin Williams;  
H. R. 15696. An act granting an increase of pension to Milton V. Wells;  
H. R. 15721. An act granting an increase of pension to Walter A. Porter;  
H. R. 15730. An act granting an increase of pension to Hans A. Grove;  
H. R. 15748. An act granting an increase of pension to William Whitlock;  
H. R. 15793. An act granting an increase of pension to George Skinner;  
H. R. 15812. An act granting an increase of pension to Lucien B. Love;  
H. R. 15843. An act granting an increase of pension to Louis W. Rowe;  
H. R. 15894. An act granting an increase of pension to Lewis P. Everett;  
H. R. 15906. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph Grennue;  
H. R. 15915. An act granting an increase of pension to Frank Stafford;  
H. R. 15964. An act granting an increase of pension to Michael Murphy;  
H. R. 16000. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Amadon;  
H. R. 16048. An act granting an increase of pension to John Graham;  
H. R. 16201. An act granting an increase of pension to Jeffrey Hufford;  
H. R. 16212. An act granting an increase of pension to Sanders W. Johnston;  
H. R. 16314. An act granting an increase of pension to Richard S. Howarth;  
H. R. 16353. An act granting an increase of pension to William F. Ritchie;  
H. R. 16364. An act granting an increase of pension to Patrick Carney;  
H. R. 16368. An act granting an increase of pension to Eliza M. Hutchinson;  
H. R. 16374. An act granting an increase of pension to Alonzo S. Bowden;  
H. R. 16381. An act granting an increase of pension to Lymus Wallace;  
H. R. 16419. An act granting an increase of pension to James Harrison;  
H. R. 16423. An act granting an increase of pension to Eliza B. Abbott;  
H. R. 16538. An act granting an increase of pension to William W. Downs;  
H. R. 16667. An act granting an increase of pension to Leroy N. Buell;  
H. R. 16714. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary A. F. Gilmore;  
H. R. 16717. An act granting an increase of pension to Albert W. Thompson;  
H. R. 16755. An act granting an increase of pension to Fannie T. Fisher;  
H. R. 16756. An act granting an increase of pension to John Brown;  
H. R. 16784. An act granting an increase of pension to Michael Howe;

H. R. 16857. An act granting an increase of pension to Oliver W. Kile;  
 H. R. 16858. An act granting an increase of pension to James P. Foster;  
 H. R. 16929. An act granting an increase of pension to William H. Trites;  
 H. R. 16939. An act granting an increase of pension to Alexander T. Sullinger, alias Alexander Patillo;  
 H. R. 17090. An act granting an increase of pension to James T. Price;  
 H. R. 17094. An act granting an increase of pension to Augustus L. Kidder;  
 H. R. 17101. An act granting an increase of pension to Joanna Glazer;  
 H. R. 17110. An act granting an increase of pension to Robert A. Tracy;  
 H. R. 17119. An act granting an increase of pension to James Flanagan;  
 H. R. 17120. An act granting an increase of pension to Charles Shirar;  
 H. R. 17179. An act granting an increase of pension to Christopher G. Divers;  
 H. R. 17234. An act granting an increase of pension to David Flynn;  
 H. R. 17296. An act granting an increase of pension to Newton Thayer;  
 H. R. 17297. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph W. Fox;  
 H. R. 17298. An act granting an increase of pension to Clara E. Smith;  
 H. R. 17303. An act granting an increase of pension to Abraham W. Huffman;  
 H. R. 659. An act granting an increase of pension to Winfield Pierce;  
 H. R. 1272. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph S. Chilcoat;  
 H. R. 2987. An act granting an increase of pension to Charles A. Rittenhouse;  
 H. R. 3213. An act granting an increase of pension to Belle L. Spaulding;  
 H. R. 3365. An act granting an increase of pension to Henry Pensinger;  
 H. R. 3353. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Kehn;  
 H. R. 6724. An act granting an increase of pension to Julius Stilwell;  
 H. R. 6876. An act granting an increase of pension to Thomas B. Faught;  
 H. R. 7433. An act granting an increase of pension to Byron C. Knapp;  
 H. R. 7895. An act granting an increase of pension to Sarah Bowen;  
 H. R. 8149. An act granting an increase of pension to James B. Martin;  
 H. R. 8314. An act granting an increase of pension to Joseph A. Kauffman;  
 H. R. 8711. An act granting an increase of pension to William C. Crawford;  
 H. R. 8812. An act granting an increase of pension to Henry Staff;  
 H. R. 9154. An act granting an increase of pension to Lillie V. Ball;  
 H. R. 9491. An act granting an increase of pension to John W. Brattain;  
 H. R. 9570. An act granting an increase of pension to Isaac Gabrion;  
 H. R. 12841. An act granting an increase of pension to William King;  
 H. R. 13004. An act granting an increase of pension to Peter B. Rouch;  
 H. R. 13316. An act granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. Olcott;  
 H. R. 13705. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary Ann Garrison;  
 H. R. 14475. An act granting an increase of pension to David E. Lawton;  
 H. R. 14788. An act granting an increase of pension to Frank E. Hills;  
 H. R. 15038. An act granting an increase of pension to Lucy T. Churchill;  
 H. R. 15186. An act granting an increase of pension to Isaac J. Nichols;  
 H. R. 15362. An act granting an increase of pension to Grace Harrington;  
 H. R. 15422. An act granting an increase of pension to John Mosgrove;

H. R. 15423. An act granting an increase of pension to Stephen B. Morehouse;  
 H. R. 15674. An act granting an increase of pension to John A. T. McPherson;  
 H. R. 15733. An act granting an increase of pension to Martin G. Cole;  
 H. R. 15735. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Wheeler;  
 H. R. 15746. An act granting an increase of pension to Daniel R. Lucas;  
 H. R. 16073. An act granting an increase of pension to John H. Smith;  
 H. R. 16210. An act granting an increase of pension to John C. Collahan;  
 H. R. 16313. An act granting an increase of pension to James L. Davenport, alias Dexter Davis;  
 H. R. 16351. An act granting an increase of pension to Austin P. Merrell;  
 H. R. 16696. An act granting an increase of pension to Freeling H. Amick;  
 H. R. 16754. An act granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. Hughes;  
 H. R. 16785. An act granting an increase of pension to Collins W. Wight;  
 H. R. 16786. An act granting an increase of pension to John C. Sautter;  
 H. R. 16787. An act granting an increase of pension to Richard G. Hanscom;  
 H. R. 16856. An act granting an increase of pension to John Burke;  
 H. R. 16996. An act granting an increase of pension to John Bougher;  
 H. R. 10175. An act granting a pension to Mary R. Bayly, formerly Mary S. Reddick;  
 H. R. 12771. An act granting a pension to William Kenny;  
 H. R. 7361. An act for the relief of C. W. Colehour;  
 H. R. 12098. An act to amend section 1 of the act of Congress approved May 14, 1898, entitled "An act extending the homestead laws and providing for a right of way for railroads in the district of Alaska;"  
 H. R. 15243. An act to authorize the President of the United States to appoint Kensey J. Hampton captain and quartermaster in the Army;  
 H. R. 17046. An act making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, for the procurement of heavy ordnance for trial and service, and for other purposes;  
 H. R. 16138. An act granting the right of way to the Kenova and Big Sandy Railroad Company through the Government lands at Lock No. 2, Big Sandy River, and at Lock No. 3, Big Sandy River, both in Wayne County, W. Va.;  
 H. R. 16573. An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across St. Francis River at or near the town of St. Francis, Ark.;  
 H. R. 16352. An act to amend the act entitled "An act granting an increase of pension to Mary La Tourette Stotsenburg," approved June 2, 1900;  
 H. R. 8186. An act for the relief of John D. Chadwick;  
 H. R. 16910. An act making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904;  
 H. R. 16990. An act making appropriations for the service of the Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes;  
 H. R. 17026. An act granting a pension to Jerome W. Turner;  
 H. R. 14758. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary A. Talbot;  
 H. R. 15802. An act for the relief of certain homestead settlers in the State of Alabama;  
 H. R. 1488. An act for the relief of T. A. Woodress;  
 H. R. 17085. An act to effectuate the provisions of the additional act of the international convention for the protection of industrial property;  
 H. R. 12199. An act to regulate the immigration of aliens into the United States;  
 H. R. 17202. An act making appropriations for sundry expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes;  
 H. R. 17493. An act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for prior years, and for other purposes;  
 H. R. 16881. An act to authorize the court of county commissioners of Geneva County, Ala., to construct a bridge across the Choctawhatchee River, in Geneva County, Ala.;  
 H. R. 3420. An act granting a pension to Anna O. Brush;  
 H. R. 11340. An act for the relief of McClure and Willbanks;  
 H. R. 15155. An act to refund the amount of duties paid on merchandise brought into the United States from Porto Rico



between April 11, 1899, and May 1, 1900, and also on merchandise brought into the United States from the Philippine Islands between April 11, 1899, and March 8, 1902, and for other purposes;

H. R. 17288. An act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes;

H. R. 7659. An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 5191 and 5192 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and for other purposes;"

H. R. 13075. An act to amend section 3 of the "Act further to prevent counterfeiting or manufacturing dies, tools, or other implements used in manufacturing, etc.," approved February 10, 1891;

H. R. 5357. An act for the relief of William Leech; and

H. R. 15799. An act to confirm the name of Seward square for the space formed by the intersection of C street south and Pennsylvania and North Carolina avenues, District of Columbia.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair amid loud and long-continued applause on both sides of the House.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO WAIT ON THE PRESIDENT.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, the committee appointed by the House to join a similar committee on the part of the Senate to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that the two Houses had completed their business and to inquire whether he had any further communication to make, have performed that duty, and the President replies that he has no further communication to make; and if it should be in order, and he does not know whether it is in order or not, he desires to congratulate the two Houses of Congress upon the valuable work they have performed. [Loud applause.]

#### NEW OFFICE BUILDING.

The SPEAKER. The Chair makes the following announcement:

The Clerk read as follows:

The Commission to construct the new office building, Mr. J. G. CANNON, Mr. W. P. HEPBURN, Mr. J. D. RICHARDSON.

#### VOTE OF THANKS TO SPEAKER.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, the House of Representatives has passed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House are presented to the Hon. DAVID B. HENDERSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has presided over its deliberations and performed the arduous and important duties of the chair during the present term of Congress.

[Loud general applause.]

The SPEAKER. Gentlemen of the House of Representatives, an age spent under this Dome must give opportunity for forming many and strong ties. Constituted as I have been from childhood, friendship is an essential element of my life's food [applause], and whether on the floor or in the Chair I have found a bountiful supply in this Hall. [Applause.] I have seen beautiful and instructive things on this floor—sharp, able, feeling debate; and debate, gentlemen, is the foundation and sustaining power of American liberty. [Applause.] But I have seen another beautiful thing. When the flag was raised in war I have seen both sides of this Chamber, as one man, put \$50,000,000 into the hands of the Chief Magistrate and say, "Lead on," without a dissenting voice. [Applause.] I say that from that hour I have believed that there was no future moment when disintegration could come to this Republic. [Applause.] And when I saw the young men from every State in the Union touching elbow to elbow and rushing into the ranks of war, there was absolute confirmation of that belief. [Applause.]

I have no fears for the future of my country. Let no one be disturbed by the battles on this floor. As I said, they are guarantees of freedom, and I approve of them. At times there may be scars left, but they are not scars that leave a permanent cripple, but scars that leave the soul and the manhood without a dangerous wound. For one, go where I may from this Hall, I shall carry with me in my heart an affectionate recollection of the friends that I have met here, and I do not know of one enemy. [Applause.]

Whenever I meet any member of this body in the future I shall feel that I meet a legislative comrade, and I know that he will meet a friend. [Applause.]

I am not going to give counsel to this body further than to say that there is nothing more precious than this Government for us to fight for. Preserve that if you lose your life. It is more valuable than anything that can be named. Go on with the rough-and-tumble battles of legislation, but keep your eye on that flag which God asks us to die for. [Applause.]

When I took this chair I asked the support of this House to aid me in performing the duties of this high office you conferred upon me. That gavel in my hand has never been defied by either side of this Chamber. It is a pleasure to say that. It has always se-

cured obedience; recognition when order was demanded. Knowing how excited we are at times, that is a pleasant recollection to me.

Now, gentlemen, if I know my feelings toward this body of men, I know that I shall carry with me through life the image of this hour, with its generous approval and treatment of me this morning. I shall carry every one of your faces in my memory, and I shall never cease to feel an interest in this great body, which stands so near to the happiness of my countrymen. And now, I bid you good-bye. [Prolonged applause, every member rising in his place.]

And now, in pursuance of the Constitution, I declare the Fifty-seventh Congress adjourned sine die.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, the following executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

A message from the President, transmitting a report from the Secretary of War showing expenditures made from the appropriation for "Barracks and quarters, Philippine Islands, 1903"—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A message from the President, returning without approval House bill No. 14051, entitled "An act granting the consent of Congress to N. F. Thompson and associates to erect a dam and construct a power station at Muscle Shoals, Alabama"—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIII, bills and resolutions of the following titles were severally reported from committees, delivered to the Clerk, and referred to the several Calendars therein named, as follows:

Mr. EVANS, from the Committee on Private Land Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 958) for the relief of the Mission of St. James, in the State of Washington, reported the same with amendments, accompanied by a report (No. 3918); which said bill and report were referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DICK, from the Committee on Militia, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 17053) to provide for a militia veteran reserve, and for other purposes, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 3919); which said bill and report were referred to the House Calendar.

#### PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. WEEKS (by request): A resolution (H. J. Res. 283) providing for the erection of a statue of John Brown, of Osawatimie, Kans., in the city of Richmond, in the State of Virginia—to the Committee on the Library.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. GRAHAM: Resolutions of Good Will Lodge, No. 106, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Allegheny, Pa., in favor of the passage of the Foraker safety-appliance bill—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. MOODY: Petition of Eugene Divinity School, Eugene, Oreg., for the passage of a bill to forbid the sale of intoxicating liquors in all Government buildings—to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.

Also, memorial of legislative assembly of Oregon, urging the improvement of the Columbia River—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. HENRY C. SMITH: Petition of J. S. Van Alstyne, of Wyandotte, asking for the erection of a public building in Wyandotte, Mich.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. TOMPKINS of New York: Petition of citizens of Bloomingburg and Burlingham, N. Y., protesting against the enactment of a parcels-post law—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. YOUNG: Petition of Central Labor Union of Philadelphia, Pa., protesting against House bill 9685, known as the sailors' bill—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.